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To Organize Bates County Red Cross Chapter

GIGANTIC MASS MEETING TO BE HELD IN BUTLER SATURDAY, JULY 28TH FOR THAT PURPOSE

Butler, Rich Hill and Adrian Have Already Organized Local Chapters

Saturday, July 28th, 1917, will be a big day in Butler and Bates county. On that day representatives of the various Red Cross Chapters of the county will meet in a gigantic mass meeting in this city to form a county chapter. The citizens of the county have responded nobly to this call for funds to carry on the humane work of relieving the distress in stricken Europe and it is very rarely that the committees who are soliciting members are met with a refusal.

A local chapter was organized at a mass meeting at the Baptist church Wednesday. H. O. Maxey was elected chairman, Mrs. J. T. Hull, vice-chairman; Mrs. W. D. Stanley, secretary and C. A. Allen, treasurer. A committee on membership to secure new members consisting of Miss Rachel Tingle, Miss Ora Newsome, Mrs. C. C. Rhodes and Dr. T. F. Lockwood. A committee was appointed to act with committees from other chapters to organize a big county chapter, and according to the rules of the Red Cross if Bates county wants a chapter it must be organized within thirty days of the date of the charter, therefore Saturday, July 28th, was selected as the day to hold the mass meeting, and as the National Red Cross Society rules require that this meeting must be held in the county seat, the meeting will be held in the circuit court room.

A campaign committee to represent the Butler branch has been appointed as follows: E. B. Silvers, W. F. Duvall, J. A. DeArmond and H. O. Maxey and these gentlemen are rapidly getting into touch with those interested in all sections of the county.

Friday night H. O. Maxey, J. A. DeArmond and E. B. Silvers, and Paul B. Levy took the Butler Red Cross glee club to Rich Hill where a mass meeting was held in the Christian church and a chapter organized. Dr. Delameter was elected chairman and Clark Griffin secretary.

Sunday a well attended mass meeting was held at Adrian and a local chapter organized. Adrian will be well represented at the big meeting in Butler.

Monday night H. O. Maxey, J. E. Smith, E. B. Silvers, Otis Baker and the Butler Red Cross Glee Club went out to Johnstown and an enthusiastic meeting was held and another local chapter organized. They promised to send a good delegation to the county meeting to be held in Butler July 28.

A Letter From Ft. Riley.

Fort Riley, Kas., July 14, 1917. Editor Times:—

In reply to your request, will drop you a few lines. This is some busy camp, believe me. There are something like five hundred doctors here in the medical training camp and they are working them from 5 o'clock in the morning until 9 at night, trying to whip them into shape for medical corps efficient for regimental infirmaries, ambulance and field hospital work. We are the only completely equipped field hospital here yet and are being used as a model in drill, tent pitching, and in the care of the wounded.

Several hospital and ambulance companies are in course of organization but are not complete yet.

While officers and enlisted men are working very hard, they are not complaining but all show by their application to detail that they realize that this is not an idle vacation but a grim preparation for war on a gigantic scale.

Our ultimate destination is unknown and you at home know as much as we do as to where we will go, or when. But such is war.

Give my regards to all, inquiring friends and accept the same for yourself.

I am, your friend,

R. E. Crabtree.

Uncover Copper 'Loot' to Germany.

New York, July 14.—Charged with trying to smuggle 10,000 feet of copper wire into Germany, through Norway, Capt. John A. B. Smith, and Chief Engineer John A. B. Smith of the Norwegian tank steamer *Conrad* were arrested by British customs officers at the port of Oslo. They were found with a large quantity of copper wire hidden in the ship's hold.

Sells Floto Circus at Nevada.

In spite of the fact that the automobile business is increasing month by month, there yet remains the keenest interest in the horse. And that is one of the reasons why the Sells-Floto Circus, which is to appear in Nevada Tuesday, July 31, carries with it as a part of its menagerie a Horse Fair equaled by no other circus in the world.

In a large tent adjoining that of the menagerie the Horse Fair forms a daily adjunct of the trip into the "big show."

In the fair this year will be found specimens of the purest bred Percherons possible to obtain, as well as representatives of the thoroughbred, standard-bred Suffolk Punch, coach horses, hackneys, hunters and horses for general purposes. And of course, the five United States government Hynes, new and strange beasts, are to be shown.

By the way, there is to be the two-mile-long parade at 10:30 o'clock the morning of the circus' arrival in this city, with tall cages open, the ten bands playing and the giant Serenadum and the Vocalina, a new musical instrument, playing their loudest.

Seek to Halt Harvest?

Wellington, Kan., July 13.—Stones which had been carefully concealed in bundles of wheat on a farm three miles west of here, were discovered today when members of the crew of a threshing outfit started work. It was found that in many cases three or four stones had been concealed in a shock and that a large part of the field had been gone over by persons who apparently intended to destroy the threshing machinery.

Should one of the bundles containing the rocks have been thrown into the separator it would have wrecked the machinery, the owner declared. Following the discovery of the rocks a reward was offered by the agent who has the farm in charge for the arrest and conviction of the guilty persons. A country-wide investigation has been started.

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Jefferson City, Mo., July 13.—The letter of the I. W. W. cannot be state defense guards.

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A Big Well in Oklahoma.

Tulsa, Ok., July 13.—Graham and Bird's third well in section 25-28-8 near Hominy, was deepened today and the well is flowing wild over the country. A conservative estimate of its production is 15,000 barrels daily. It is the largest well ever completed in Osage County. It was completed a few weeks ago as a 700-barrel producer. The owners are W. M. Graham, of Tulsa and John Bird of Pawhuska.

HUNGER IS KILLING BELGIUM

Disease is Rife Where Best Fed Have Two Scant Meals.

Washington, July 14.—Belgium, racked by the horrors of war, is dying of hunger and disease.

The report of the Belgian relief commission made public tonight shows that:

The U-boat has cut down Belgian food rations to less than half what is theoretically required to live on.

For days some people are forced to go without eating anything.

The best fed eat two scant meals a day.

Women and children share their allowance with the father that he may have strength to work.

All laboring classes are becoming more and more emaciated.

"The mortality rate of men has increased to three and a half times that of the three preceding years. Loss of vitality has made inroads by disease early," the report stated.

"In many instances men have been forced to strike because they lacked strength to work."

"Women pleading for food at the commission's headquarters often have been refused or died through weakness."

"Progress of tuberculosis in the population and industrial districts is alarming."

FOREIGNERS RUN OUT OF FLAT RIVER

Americans Armed With Shot Guns Force Aliens Aboard Trains.

The mining town of Flat River, in Southeast Missouri, following the example of towns in Arizona, and other western states, deported more than 600 foreigners Saturday.

An appeal for United States soldiers to quell the outbreak, charged to Industrial Workers of the World, was made to Newton D. Baker, Secretary of War, by the New York office of the Federal Lead Company.

The appeal was referred to Gov. Gardner, who dispatched a troop of cavalry and a company of infantry from this city.

The rioting was remarkable in one thing—the small number of casualties. While more than 50 men have been severely injured through beatings, and three others are reported to have been shot, physicians in the district where the fighting was the most strenuous, say they have attended no one, who is fatally wounded.

Flat River was the center of the riot zone, and Flat River bears the greatest number of physical scars as a result of the much blood shed, property damage, thousands of dollars lost.

Mob leaders were left during the rioting to be left to rid the entire element.

The organization, marvelous, the only as if they had many days. The mining operators were on the instructions from Operators to depart peacefully. They were folks and children for until relief for them. Food given the refugee riot-stricken district.

Butler Red Cross.

The campaign for members for the local chapter commenced in earnest Monday morning. Four teams of young ladies started to work about nine o'clock and in a very short time every one in the business part of the city was solicited to become a member and wear a Red Cross button. They report excellent progress.

Headquarters have been opened at Fuhrman & Tingle's millinery store on the west side, where a member of the local committee will be on duty at all times. The following is a list of the young ladies actively engaged in securing members:

Team 1—Miss Goldie Newsome, Captain; Mrs. Joe C. Hupp, Mrs. A. R. Fox and Misses Edna Clarke, Linda Nix, Mildred Ream, Emma Fry, Maurine Chambers, Rosalie Funk, Annabelle Thompson and Winifred Stone.

Team 2—Miss Kate McGaughey, Captain; Mrs. Charles Fisk, Mrs. Fred Williams and Misses Helen Campbell, Alice Smith, Jessie Ray, Mabel Sleeth, Helen Braden, Rosamund Scroggs, Ora Thompson and Selma Gench.

Team 3—Miss Doris Wyatt, Captain; Mrs. R. D. Clarke, Alice Anna Silvers, Ruby Smith, Captain; Mrs. Lloyd Black, Mrs. Ruth Wy Robinson, Hayden, Carter.

Butler Comes Registration

Jefferson City, Mo., July 13.—Sixth District registration appointments, by Mrs. Chairman, are for Saturday next room of

GERMAN FORCE IS TO BE TAKEN OUT OF I. W. W.

Jail or Internment Authorized by U. S. for Men Creating Dis-sensions.

Seattle, Wash., July 13.—The United States Government has decided to take out of the I. W. W. organization that part of it which is German or dominated by Germanic influence, according to announcement today by United States District Attorney Clay Allen. The men will be interned, Mr. Allen said.

Investigation by Government agents, said the District Attorney, showed a large percentage of the industrial workers to be alien Germans, Mr. Allen continued.

"Attorney General Gregory, at my request, authorized the internment of all German enemies who affiliated with or have taken part in any movement or plan seeking to bring about industrial or agricultural organization."

"My conception of the rule is that this will apply and reach any alien enemy who establishes a record of unreliability even of residence or employment."

"It is apparent that this is not the time for I. W. W.'s and their kind to be shifting around from place to place. They must seek employment and keep it if they are to remain out of jail or an internment camp."

"The very fact that they are unreliable is a circumstance sufficiently serious at this time to warrant the attention of Government officers."

FARMER KILLED IN A RUNAWAY

Milton Journey, of the Foster Neighborhood, Dragged to Death by, Frightened Mules.

While driving a team of mules to a heavy load of hay down a steep hill near his home northwest of Foster Tuesday afternoon, Milton Journey, an old resident of that part of the county, slipped from the load and caught his feet in the doubletrees of the wagon. In falling he must have

Make Your Own Fat Compound.

Lard is 28 cents a pound. Many folks object to paying that much but realize that at the present price of hogs and with the probable future demand it is unlikely that the price will be reduced soon. It becomes important, then, to find a cheaper satisfactory substitute. Dr. Louise Stanley of the Missouri College of Agriculture suggests that housewives consider suet as a source of cheap fat. Suet has not been as extensively used as lard on account of its hard consistency. It can be obtained at about 1 cents a pound. From this can be obtained fourteen ounces of pure fat at a cost of 12 cents a pound. In order to bring this to the consistency of lard it is only necessary to add oil in the proportion of one part of oil to two parts of suet. This gives a compound fat which is very satisfactory for general household use. Cottonseed oil or corn oil can now be obtained at about 21 cents a pound. On the basis of the above proportions a satisfactory lard substitute can be had at a cost of 15 cents a pound.

Organizing County for National Defense.

The members of the committee recently appointed by the Missouri National Council of Defense to organize Bates County, met in Butler Wednesday afternoon, and elected officers as follows:

President, A. H. Culver; Secretary and treasurer, W. G. Dillon.

Further organization will follow with the appointment of seven members from each township in the county to be announced later. A county meeting will be held within ten days, when the organization will take up some definite line of work. Among the various needs will be the organization of a home guard to protect railroad bridges, mills and factories. Those who cannot pass the examination for active military service, will be given an opportunity to do guard duty at home.

MISSOURI NOTES.

Polk county is without an exemption board. The sheriff and county clerk refuse to serve.

A proud Missouri mother is Mrs. Mollie Fitzgerald of Mokane, whose six sons have registered for the draft, all being within the prescribed age limits.

A new form of vandalism has broken out in Johnson County. As soon as a new signboard is placed at some cross road some one steals it. Queer sense of humor some folks have.

The St. Clair County Democrat says that the postoffice department has decided to cut off a large number of rural routes to reduce expenses. The routes that will be discontinued are those on poor roads.

When a Cass county jury let John St. Leger off with a sentence of six years in the penitentiary after he had been convicted of attacking a 14 year old girl, it was necessary to take him to Kansas City to keep him out of the hands of a mob.

In Osceola the other day Judge Calverd granted a divorce to Mrs. Mary Ellen Short from her husband who skipped out six years ago. It came out in the testimony that she is the mother of 21 children.—Ex.

Governors Gardner of Missouri and Capper of Kansas have asked that F. M. Rumbold, former adjutant general of Missouri, now on duty at the War Department in Washington, be appointed a brigadier of artillery and assigned to the 14th division.

Clinton may have as many brave men among her citizens as any other town but at a baby show in that town the Fourth of July they had to draft judges from among the visitors. One was from San Francisco, another from Knoxville, Tenn., and the third from Versailles.

War conditions are blamed for the action of several Missouri fair associations in calling off the annual county exhibits. Seven fairs have been discontinued for this year. Four other boards of directors have the question under advisement, leaving less than forty counties in the state where a 1917 fair is assured.

The excitement and indignation which were aroused in the city of Springfield by the kidnapping of the Keet baby, six weeks ago, and which came near reaching its climax in the lynching of the men thought to have been the kidnapers, is again cropping out throughout the city as the result of an attempt Thursday night to abduct the 4-year-old daughter of Lloyd Hughes, a young business man with wealthy family connections.

William Dannecker, 58 years old, was beaten to death at St. Louis Saturday by his two sons, Leo, 13 years old, and Herman, 23 years old. The brothers took turns at hammering their father with a ball bat. Herman, the elder son, said that they killed their father because of his long continued cruelty to their stepmother. He said that his own mother killed herself because of her husband's cruelty; that Dannecker's second wife obtained a divorce and that the third wife, the present Mrs. Dannecker, had attempted suicide because of ill-treatment.

Emma Goldman, America's most "famous" anarchist made to overall jumpers establishing a record for beginners in the Missouri Penitentiary's factory for women Thursday. She marched from her cell to the prison workshop and took her place among the 60 other women. A few instructions from the foreman as to how to manage her machine sufficed, and she immediately set to work making overalls and jackets. While she made only 10 garments, as compared with from 40 to 50, the output of more experienced hands, her record is without precedent in the workshop.

That the aviation camp which the United States Government is proposing to establish at Sedalia, using a part of the State Fair grounds, will make the State Fair better this year than ever before, was the belief expressed at Sedalia Saturday. The buildings and grounds can be utilized until after the fair opens for quarters for officers and men. The training camp is looked upon by State Fair officers as the best adjunct the fair could obtain. One hundred and eighty-three entries for the horse races have been received and other sections of the fair are receiving entries and exhibits on an even larger scale.